

Magnolia Tank Farm Project

EIR Scoping Meeting

Location:

Edison Community Center 21377 Magnolia Street Huntington Beach, CA 92646

November 7, 2017 3:00 to 4:00 P.M. (for agencies) 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. (for public)





Overview

- Purpose of CEQA
- Purpose of Scoping Meeting
- Project Overview
- EIR Process (PEIR proposed for the Project)
- Notice of Preparation
- Issues Analyzed in the PEIR
- Public Comments



Purpose of CEQA

- The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is California's broadest environmental law.
 - CEQA applies to all discretionary actions (projects where the agency can use its judgment in deciding if to approve or how to carry out a project)
- Purpose of CEQA is to:
 - Disclose project impacts to public and decision makers
 - Identify feasible mitigation measures as a means to avoid or reduce environmental impacts
 - Evaluate a reasonable range of alternatives



Purpose of Scoping Meeting

Purpose of this evening's meeting is to:

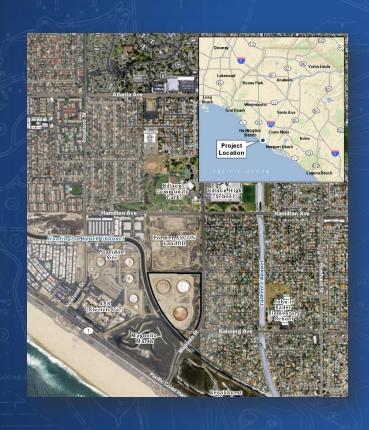
- Provide the community with an overview of the Project
- Solicit comments to refine the "scope" of the Program Environmental Impact Report

Scope is determined by:

- Responses to Notice of Preparation from responsible agencies
- Input from the community (including comments at this scoping meeting)
- Experience with similar projects



Project Overview



- A 29-acre site at 21845 Magnolia
 Street
- Proposed improvements
 - Scenario 1 (Mixed-Use): 230,000
 sf lodge with 175 guest rooms,
 guesthouse with 40 beds, retail, and
 dining; up to 250 for sale residential
 units; 2.5 acres of Coastal
 Conservation; and 2.6 acres of park
 - Scenario 2 (Residential): up to 250 for sale residential units; parks; and open space



Project Overview

Amenities/improvements

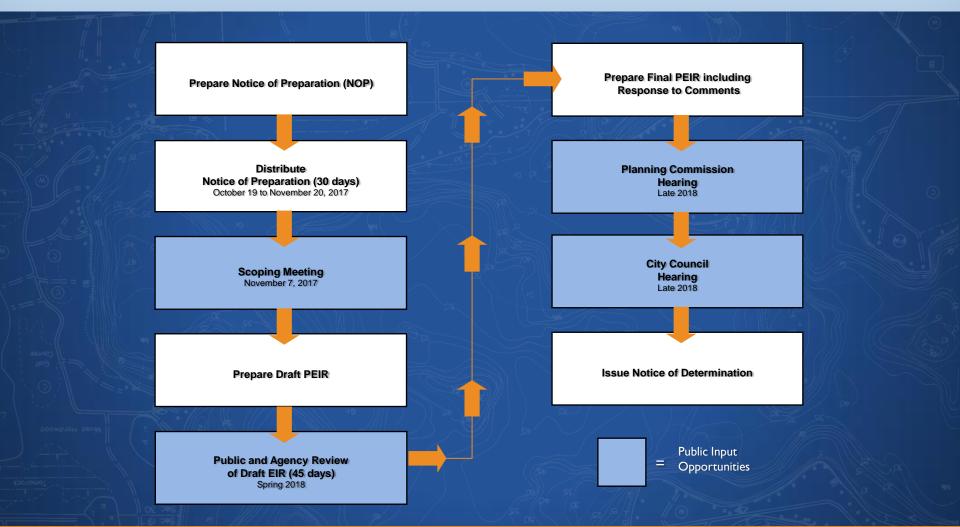
- Pedestrian trail connecting the Project's uses to a trail to be constructed in the Open Space Conservation area
- Off-site sidewalk, parkway, and curb improvements to Magnolia Street
- Infrastructure to serve the Project

Project entitlements

- PEIR
- General Plan Amendment
- Zoning Map and Zoning Text Amendments
- Local Coastal Program Amendment
- Future entitlements



EIR Process





Notice of Preparation

The NOP:

- Contains a brief description of the Project, its location, and where documents relating to the Project can be found
- Notifies responsible agencies and other interested parties that an EIR (in this case a PEIR) will be prepared.
- Solicits input regarding the scope, focus, and content of the upcoming PEIR
- Distributed for a 30-day public review period



Issues Analyzed in the EIR

The CEQA Checklist contains 88 different questions covering 18 different topical areas.

- Aesthetics
- Agricultural Resources
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Geology and Soils
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality

- Land Use and Planning
- Mineral Resources
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services
- Recreation
- Transportation and Traffic
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems



Public Scoping Comments

- Let the City know if there are environmental issues you believe should be addressed in the PEIR.
- The NOP is available for review at:
 - City of Huntington Beach Community Development Department
 - The Huntington Beach City Clerk's office
 - Banning Branch Public Library
 - City's website:

(http://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/planning/major/)

Comments should be sent during NOP circulation, which started October 19, 2017 and ends November 20, 2017.



Public Comments

- Comments on the NOP and scoping meeting may be submitted to Ricky Ramos, Senior Planner, City of Huntington Beach:
 - Mail or hand deliver to:

 City of Huntington Beach
 Community Development Department
 2000 Main Street
 Huntington Beach, CA 92648
 - Email: <u>rramos@surfcity-hb.org</u>



Future Opportunities for Public Involvement

- Draft Program Environmental Impact Report
 - Circulate Draft PEIR for 45 days
 - Anticipated Spring 2018
- Final PEIR
 - Includes response to comments
 - Final PEIR is published and made available for review prior to Project approval
 - Anticipated late 2018
- Planning Commission and City Council hearings
 - Anticipated late 2018